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effective amount is an amount which will release the snapping and biting response of said fish.

In claims 2, 3, and 4, after the first word "The", please delete the words "fishing lure or" and insert in place thereof -- catfish --.

REMARKS

Claims 1 - 4 are presently in the application.

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By way of the present communication, applicants have amended the title so that only ictalurid catfish appear in the title, and not fish with similar feeding behavior. Further, applicants' attorney could not find in his files any incorrect spelling of "ictalurid" in the title. Applicants have also cancelled claims 5-7 to exclude lures from the claims of the present invention. The present invention is now only directed to ictalurid catfish bait. The claims were limited to only ictalurid catfish to be consistent with U.S.S.N. 742,361 which has been allowed by the Examiner and which relates to catfish food.

The Examiner states that the title contains an incorrect spelling of "ictalurid". Applicants' attorney could find this misspelling, but in have amended the title as indicated above.

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Claims 1-7 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter applicants regard as their invention. The Examiner argues that the terms "lure" and "bait" must contain a description from the prior art. Applicants have amended the claims so that the Jepson format is no longer used. Further, the term "lure" has been deleted. It is applicants' position that the term "bait", when used in connection with fishing, is notoriously known to those have skill the art. It is also applicants' position that any substance which can act